24. 9 Excise—Refunds

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs 15,078 under "9-Excise Refunds. Messrs." Mohammed Ibrahim Mohammed Jaffer and Co., contractors for the supply of salt for the years of 1116 and 1117 have been allowed a refund of duty on 3812 maunds and 5938 maunds of salt jettisoned in the course of transport from Bombay to Cochin. The duty on this comes to Rs. 15,078—2—0 at the rate of Re. 1—9—0 per maund. The amount sanctioned under "9-Excise Refunds" is for the usual items of expenditure and this item was not expected when the budgets were prepared. No savings are also expected. Therefore the expenditure had to be met by the additional allotment. Hence an additional allotment of Rs. 15,078 under "9-Excise Refunds."

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: On a point of information, on what account is that amount payable?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: To make a refund of the duty collected on the quantity of salt short-delivered.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: Whether this was to be delivered according to the contract here or at Bombay?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: The salt was to be delivered at Malipuram. While it was being brought from Bombay to Malipuram some salt was thrown out to the sea for the safety of the boat in a stormy weather. On that short-derivered quantity Government collected duty at the rate of Re. 1—9—0 per maund. That amount is now proposed to be refunded.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: How can we know whether it is actually jettisoned?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: A certificate has been produced by the party to the satisfaction of the Government.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: Whose certificate is necessary?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: The Port Officer's.

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Are we in a contractual obligation to refund?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Governmnet)*: No. But in equity we should do so.

Mr. M. O. Thomakutty *(Commerce and Industry)*: Whether this is the amount actually collected from them.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: Yes.

Demand put and carried

25. 10-Matches—D—Cocoanut Cess

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 4,000 under "10-Matches D—Cocoanut Cess." For the collection of the cess on cocoanut an additional staff consisting of 2 Sub-Inspectors on Rs. 50-60 each, 2 Petty Officers on Rs. 20 each and 4 peons on Rs. 11 each have been sanctioned. There is no provision in the current year's budget to meet the expenditure on this account. Therefore the amount has to be met by additional allotment. An additional allotment of Rs. 4,000 is required under "10-Matches—D. Cocoanut Cess." I therefore request it may be sanctioned.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Trichur)*: On a point of information, Sir, ഇതുപ്രകാരം കൊപ്രയുടെ ചിലവിലേയ്ക്കു മായിട്ടായിരിക്കുമോ? അവരുടെ ശമ്പളം ബജ്ജറിൽ കൊള്ളിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു?

[illegible]: അവരെ പിരിച്ചയച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതുകൊണ്ടു് ശമ്പളം കൊടുക്കണ്ട കാര്യമില്ല. അതുകൊണ്ടു് ആ വകയിൽ നമുക്കു് ലാഭമുണ്ടാകുന്നതാണു്.

[illegible]: ഈ നെഗ്ലിജൻസിനെപ്പറ്റിയാണു് ചിലവിലേയ്ക്കു മായിട്ടു് ഇതു ചേർത്തിട്ടുള്ളതു?

[illegible]: ഇതിൽ യാതൊരു നെഗ്ലിജൻസുമില്ല.

Demand put and carried

26. 24—Medical—1—Medical Proper—Miscellaneous

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government)*: I beg to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 5,000 under "24 Medical 1-Medical Proper—Miscellaneous." There is at present no

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